

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

You know what we're feeling about this. If KGAN Shows this FREE POLITICAL Advertisement, I will participate in any Boycott, Petition, Complaint to Campaign Finance & Regulatory agencies until your Licenses are removed, and penalties imposed for Illegal Campaign Contributions are assessed.

If you are going to show Obviously Biased, One Sided Political Campaign advertising as "Entertainment" or "News", you should at least show equally biased programs in Equal Time slots, such as "Fahrenheit 911". However, if you are not charging your standard Advertising Rates to the beneficiaries of this programming, I still think it justifies a charge of CORPORATE Contributions to Political Campaigns.

I also plan to ask my Cable provider to remove your station from my Cable Lineup, until such time as this problem is resolved.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.